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FOR: GENES FOR HEAT RESISTANT ENZYMES OF AMINO ACID BIOSYNTHETIC PATHWAY DERIVED FROM THERMOPHILIC CORYNEFORM BACTERIA

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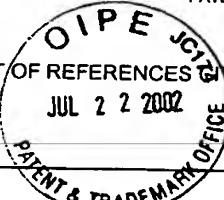
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